



Frequently Asked Questions

Who can get tested?

People in Vermont who do not have symptoms of COVID-19 can be tested for the virus at a pop-up testing site. This includes people who work in Vermont.

We encourage health care workers, first responders, child care providers, and people returning to Vermont – such as college students, people who winter out of state and second home owners – to consider being tested.

How do I register for pop-up testing?

You can register online at: <https://humanresources.vermont.gov/popups>

Do I need a referral from a doctor?

No, you do not need a referral from a doctor to be tested at a pop-up testing site.

Is there any cost to be tested?

No, testing is free.

I just returned to/arrived in Vermont and have been quarantining. Can I get tested?

If you are returning to Vermont, you are required to self-quarantine for 14 days. If, during your quarantine, you have not had symptoms of COVID-19, on or after Day 7 you can be tested at one of the pop-up testing sites. Day 0 is the day you return to Vermont.

If your test is negative, you can end your quarantine period, as long as you continue to have no symptoms.

Can children be tested?

Yes, children 12 months or older can be tested at a pop-up testing site.

Will the test tell me if I have already had COVID-19?

No, the test will tell you if you have a current infection. It is not a serology/antibody test, which means it will not tell you if you were infected in the past.

Can I get transportation to the test site?

Yes. Schedule your appointment, and then at least two days before the appointment call 833-387-7200.

The event is full - will you have more pop-up testing in my area?

We continue to gauge the need and the value for pop-up testing and will schedule accordingly. You can [sign up with this form](#) to be contacted via email if there are more pop-up testing dates scheduled in your area.

How can I change or cancel my appointment?

The confirmation email that was sent to you has information about how to cancel or change your appointment.

Do I get out of my car for the testing?

Some sites allow you to drive through, but most will require you to get out of your car and enter a tent where the specimen will be collected. You will get instructions to follow when you arrive at the site. Since you may be outdoors for a while, be sure to dress for the weather.

What is the procedure like?

The specimen is collected using a nasal, or nasopharyngeal (NP) swab. You will be asked to tilt your head back and a swab will be inserted through one nostril to reach the back of the nose and throat.

When will I get the results?

You will get a letter with your test results within a week. If you have a positive result, a Public Health Nurse will call you within a few days.



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How will I be notified?

If you have a negative result, you will receive a letter in the mail. If you have a positive result, our contact tracing team will call you.

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